

Lewis & Clark College
Board of Alumni Meeting -- Remote via Zoom
June 27, 2021

Board Members Present:

Chris Ohman '77, *CAS BOA President*
Mary Bodine-Watts '09 L'13
Katie Byrnes '79
Anne Caputo '69
Jenna Timmerman '22, *SAA president*
Jennifer Cox Cyphers '98
Peter Dempsey '01
Edgard Garcia '92
Catherine Gibson '85
Hanako Imber '10
Marisol Jenkins '15
Erik Jensen '81
Hongda Jiang '08
Aron Phillips '07
Stacy Thompson '79
Anthony J. Ruiz '13
Richard Sames '12
Chris Scheffler '10
Marnie Troska '98
Barbara Whitaker '74
Dave Todd '68, *Chair Albany Society Board of Directors*

Board Members Absent:

Ryan Lockard '07
Jessica Mullins '10

APP Staff Present:

Emily Decker '85, *Senior Associate Director of Alumni, Parent, and Student Engagement*
Tara McIrvine, *Associate Director of Alumni, Parent, and Student Engagement*
Andrew McPheeters, *Associate Vice President of Alumni, Parent, and Student Engagement*
Caroline Mead, *Associate Director of Alumni, Parent, and Student Engagement*
Ginger Moshofsky '83, PG '18, *Associate Director of Alumni, Parent, and Student Engagement*

Guests:

Sarah Lind-MacMillan '22, *ASLC President*

Pre-Meeting resources:

- ☐ **BOA Meeting Minutes Spring 4.25.21** (PDF provided to members via link)
- ☐ **CAS Fundraising Update June FY21** (PDF provided to members via link)
- ☐ **Alumni Chapter Update June 2021** (PDF provided to members via link)

- ❑ **Alumni Honors Award Finalists 2021** (PDF provided to members via link)
- ❑ **Resolution for Grant Frey 6.25.21** (PDF provided to members via link)
- ❑ **Admin Committee report: 2021 BOA Candidates for Board Meeting** (PDF provided to members via link)
- ❑ **BOA New Candidates 2021** (PDF provided to members via link)

Notes:

SESSION I

Chris O. - **Call to Order**

Chris O. - asks for a motion to approve the spring meeting minutes.

Catherine - **Motion to approve minutes.**

Edgard - **Seconds the motion.**

All members approve minutes.

Approval of Minutes

Chris welcomes Dave Todd '68, *Chair of the Albany Board of Directors*, to the Board of Alumni.

David joins the Board of Alumni taking over for Dee Wolfe '68 who has finished his term.

President's Report – Chris Ohman '77

■ Board of Trustees meeting recap from May.

○ This past year the three schools, (CAS the GSEC and the LAW) weathered the challenges very well. Campus wide there were very few cases of Covid, which was in large part because of a culture of accountability to one other. Financially the school was planning for a loss but on the whole we are coming out ok. Applications and acceptances are really strong, as we are welcoming the biggest freshman class in CAS history. The Law school has an increase in applications and an increase in the quality of those applied. As we heard from Scott Fletcher at our last meeting the Grad school is positioned and offering the right programs at just the right time to the Portland community and beyond, and enrollment interest shows it.

○ We have reached 100 million dollars raised on the comprehensive campaign.

○ Wim Wiewel is retiring after this next academic year finishes.

○ The presidential search committee has been appointed, with Trustees Paula Hayes BS '92 and Pat Mahaffy BA '85 as co-chairs.

Chris welcomes Sarah Lind-MacMillan '22, ASLC President

Sarah takes a moment to introduce herself and shares what she is looking forward to this next academic year.

Alumni Student Connections and Development Committee Report– Chris Scheffler '10 and Richard Sames '12

This is the last meeting for Chris S., as he cycles off the Board. Richard Sames '12 will take over the chair of the committee. Chris hopes that next fall the committee will continue to focus on SAA engagement as well as strengthen the Career Center partnership.

Richard is excited to take over the committee's work.

- Sunday Sept 12th the SA will hold their planning retreat and the Board has an open invitation to attend if interested contact Richard.
- The successful Board Buddy program will continue and look for an email later this summer soliciting participation from all board members who are interested.

Update Alumni Honors Committee - Catherine Gibson '85

We selected a slate of nominees for each of the four alumni awards who will be announced during Alumni Weekend 2022 honors event (June 23rd).

■ Presentation of nominations for awards

- **Alumni Honors Award Finalists 2021**((PDF provided to members via link)

■ Members speak about the individuals on the ballot for each award category.

Members Vote for Honors recipients by google form/ballot.

Votes are collected and counted.

Chris O. - Voting results will not be announced at this meeting but after those chosen are contacted and they have accepted.

Catherine and Chris O., present to the board a resolution

The document to honor former Board member Grant Frey '83 who passed from Covid in December. Potentially the resolution could be presented in some way at Homecoming 2022 in October.

- ❑ **Resolution for Grant Frey 6.25.21** (PDF provided to members via link)

Board members discuss the resolution as a way to recognize and acknowledge Grant's memory.

Barbara - **Motion to approve the resolution.**

Edgard - **Seconds the motion.**

Chris O. calls for a vote.

All members approve the resolution.

Approval of the resolution.

Update Administrative Committee - Peter Dempsey '01

Peter thanks the three members of the board who are cycling off, Hanako, Chris S. and Barbara.

- Ryan Lockard has resigned from the board and will not finish out his term.

After today's meeting the Executive Committee will meet to decide if an appointment to fill his vacancy is needed.

- Presentation of candidates for Board of Alumni Election.

- ❑ **Admin Committee report: 2021 BOA Candidates for Board Meeting** (PDF provided to members via link)

- ❑ **BOA New Candidates 2021** (PDF provided to members via link)

We have three new open positions and five positions are incumbents who will appear on the ballot along with the new candidates that were interviewed. Eight new candidates were interviewed by the Committee and the top five were selected and will appear on the ballot along with the incumbents. Peter describes to the board the process the committee uses to select the slate of candidates to place on the ballot.

- A discussion held with recommendations from the Committee.

Members Vote for BOA members by google form/ballot.

Votes are collected and counted.

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~Short break

Chris welcomes Jenna Timmerman '22, SAA President 2021-2022

Jenna, who has just joined the meeting, gives a brief self-introduction.

Update Equity & Inclusion Committee – Hanako Imber '09 and Mary Bodine-Watts '09 L'13

Hanako will cycle off the Board after today's meeting.

Mary Bodine-Watts '09 L'13 will take over the chair of the committee. Mary will continue to work with the committee to make sure we are thinking about equity as we function as a board and continue to grow more diverse.

Upcoming committee task:

- The committee is going to be having a discussion around terminally we use to describe Alumni of Color.

Update Fundraising Liaison – Edgard Garcia '92

❑ **CAS Fundraising Update June FY21** (PDF provided to members via link)

- Board of Alumni Giving - CONGRATULATIONS! 100% Participation Goal met! 22 out of 22 donors (100%)
- Everyone is encouraged to join the philanthropy council. If members are interested contact Edgard or Julie Newsome, *Senior Associate Director of Annual Giving*.
- Campaign Kickoff – The Campaign for Lewis & Clark

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDxurvHOVy8>

Alumni and Parent Programs Update - Andrew, Emily, Caroline, Tara, and Ginger

Chapters Update – Emily

❑ **Alumni Chapter Update June 2021** (PDF provided to members via link)

Chapter presidents are in the process of assembling their leadership teams. All board members are encouraged to join their chapter team.

- Link to Chapter website: <https://college.lclark.edu/offices/alumni/chapters/>
- Link to join Chapter listserv:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLmk_u9fwYkigeqYqxbOCvC8I3zrkLqLjVySZV1Cjye8NB8A/viewform

- Early Mid-August the newly activated chapters will be announced to the alumni body by email, in the fall Chronicle.

Alumni Weekend 2022 – Ginger

- Next year we will be celebrating the years ending in 0, 1, and 2
- **Save the Date!** Alumni Weekend 2022 on June 23 – 26.

If board members who have graduated in those years want to help plan their class events we are more than delighted to have you participate.

Alumni Travel Update – Andrew

Andrew shares the link to the Alumni Travel webpage (Explore with Lewis & Clark):
go.lclark.edu/explore

Take note of the sidebar where we have stories about some of our Expedition Leaders and Fellow LC travelers.

<https://college.lclark.edu/offices/alumni/travel/expeditionleaders/>
<https://college.lclark.edu/offices/alumni/travel/fellow-lc-explorers/>

We have partnered with the L&C sustainability office to purchase Carbon offset credits to cover all our past trips and will continue this program with future trips. Soon there will be a sustainability tab added to the Alumni Travel webpage explaining our carbon offset program.

Upcoming experiences:

- ***Sailing the San Juan Islands with Historian Stephen Dow Beckham***
September 29 - October 3, 2021 (Waitlist Only)
- ***Mexico: Migration of the Monarch Butterfly with Biologist Paulette Bierzychudek***
January 10 - 15, 2022
- ***Expedition to Antarctica with Biologist Ken Clifton, Accompanied by President Wiewel***
January 14 - 25, 2022 (2 Cabins Available)
- ***Celebrate Cuba with Professor and Musician Freddy Vilches***
May 16 - 24, 2022 (Filling Quickly)

LC Young Alumni Council - Hanako & Tara

Hanako is president of the newly formed Young Alumni Council.

<https://college.lclark.edu/offices/alumni/young-alumni-council/>

Purpose:

The Lewis & Clark Young Alumni Council (LCYAC) focuses on providing support, connection, and resources to the young alumni community, defined as those who have graduated in the past 15 years. LCYAC plans and provides a series of events and initiatives designed to connect the young alumni community with the college and with each other. Including opportunities to grow professionally, expand your network, socialize, learn, advance the college, and support students.

Tara and Hanako have started outreach to form members of the council.

Regional Campaign Receptions Update – Andrew

There will be events in 9 or 10 cities across the US where we have concentrations of alumni and one event is also planned in the UAE. The first two will be held in Denver and Minneapolis in Sept.

More dates and details will be shared soon.

Update Athletics Liaison – Aron Phillips '07

Aron spoke with Mark Pietrok, *Athletic Director* who shares with the board an update from L&C Athletics.

- The athletics programs was able to offer competitive experiences to all the student athletes this last spring, despite the challenges and restrictions of Covid.
 - This fall will have the largest group of student athletes ever.
 - This past season the softball team made the Northwest Conference playoffs for the first time.
 - Freshman Frankie Reid was named West Region Track Athlete of the Year, representing L&C at the Nationals.
- November, Homecoming, October 22-24! The football tailgate will be on Saturday, October 23rd and there will also be a home volleyball and soccer game

Chris and Andrews: Recognition and thank you's

Chris honors Barbara, Chris S., Dee, and Hanako who will be terming off after this meeting and thanks them for their service. Each in their own way have been leaders and will be missed greatly.

Andrew thanks Chris S. for his work with the SAA and the Career group, Hanako for her impact with the Equity and Inclusion Committee, and Barbara for her ideas, persistence and incredible follow-through. Stay tuned as in person gatherings where we can better honor each of you are being planned for homecoming and beyond.

Meeting adjourns.



Postscript note to document that the BOA Executive Committee: Peter Dempsey, Mary Bodine, Emily Decker and Chris Ohman met to appoint a new member of the Board

of Alumni who will complete Ryan Lockard's term. It was decided to appoint Jennifer MacNichol to complete the remainder of Ryan's term (which expires June 2022).

Per the Bylaws Section 3.2 h.

❏ **BOA Bylaws**

<https://college.lclark.edu/live/files/28987-bylaws-amended-62019pdf>